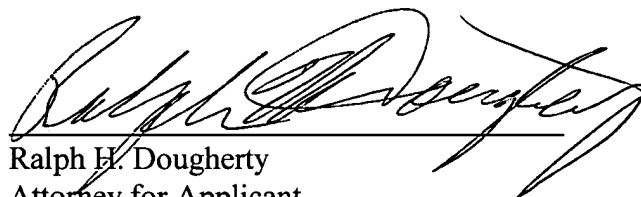


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The Examiner is of the opinion that the claims of Group I and II define different inventions. In order to be fully responsive to the Official Action, Applicant elects to retain the claims of Group II for further prosecution in the subject case, but Applicant retains the right to file one or more divisional applications or to take other appropriate action to protect the invention lying within Group I.

In view of the foregoing remarks, this application is now believed to be in condition for an action on the merits, and such action is respectfully requested on behalf of Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,



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